Town of Upper Marlboro

RESOLUTION:

2020-03

SESSION:

Regular Town Meeting

DATE:

February 11, 2020

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN THE SUSTAINABLE MARYLAND MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AND ESTABLISHING A TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO GREEN TEAM.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro has authority pursuant to Ordinance 2019-02: Authorizing Creation and Governance of Committees and Other Town Bodies, and, Section 82-16 (1) General Powers; and (2)(p) and (2)(rr) Specific Powers, of the Town Charter to create departments to further the public interest of the Town, and to establish programs to promote the health, welfare, and enjoyment of the inhabitants of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has established goals and initiatives to strengthen community relations through proactive partnership with its residents, businesses and surrounding area communities; and

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Upper Marlboro strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Upper Marlboro hereby acknowledges that the residents of Upper Marlboro desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Upper Marlboro wishes to support a model of government which benefits our residents now and far into the future by exploring and adopting sustainable, economically-sound, local government practices; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path The Town of Upper Marlboro is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

WHEREAS, the elected representatives of the Town of Upper Marlboro have a significant responsibility to provide leadership in seeking community-based sustainable solutions to strengthen its community:

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- 1. That in order to focus attention and effort within The Town of Upper Marlboro on matters of sustainability, the Board of Town Commissioners wishes to pursue local initiatives and actions that will lead to Sustainable Maryland Municipal Certification.
- 2. That the Board of Town Commissioners has determined that it is in the public interest to create a Town of Upper Marlboro Green Team.
- 3. That the Board of Commissioners shall appoint a Chairperson and at least two (2) members to the Committee for two-year terms, said terms starting on March 1st, 2020, to serve without compensation and at will.
- 4. That the Committee shall elect a Vice-Chairperson and Secretary by majority vote.
- 5. That the mission of the Committee is to provide recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on how the Town can go green, save money and take steps to sustain their quality of life over the long term.
- 6. That the Committee shall report to the Board of Town Commissioners, at least quarterly, on their work and submit a proposed budget to the President during the month of March of each year.
- 7. That the meetings of the Committee are subject to and in compliance with the Maryland Open Meetings Act, Chapter 3, Sections 3-102 and 3-303.
- 8. That the Committee adopt such bylaws, within 30 days of appointment, as it deems appropriate for final approval by the Board.

Attest:

THE TOWN OF UPPER MARLBORO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Linda Pennoyer, President

Kai Bernal-LeClaire, Commissioner

Wanda M. Leonard, Commissioner

M. David Williams, Town Cler

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CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Upper Marlboro and that the Board of Town Commissioners of the Town of Upper Marlboro at a public meeting at which a quorum was present adopted this Resolution, and that said Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or repealed.

M. David Williams, Town Clerk